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Dear Dr. Dealler,

Thank you for the draft of the letter to the Veterinary Record.

On reflection I think I would rather not be an author: I have retired and would rather not enter the political arena.

May I suggest you alter the pathological report to: "A section of the medulla oblongata was examined histologically. There were vacuolar changes in the nucleus of the solitary tract and in the spinal tract nucleus of the trigeminal nerve, lesions characteristic of BSE (Wells, et al.; 1989)".

Please note that I did not have a section of cortex and the lesions are where one would expect to see them.

The reference is Wells, G.A.H, Hancock, R.D., Cooley, W.A., Richards, M.S., Higgins, R.J. and David, G.P. Vet. Record 125, 521-524.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A.C. Palmer'.

A.C. Palmer